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FROM WILLIAM FAIRFAX, ESQ.

WM.BURG. 20th. Octr. 1755.

SIR

I had the Pleasure to receive your Favor by Colo. Stephen. As the Genl. Asembly is Summond to meet the 27th. inst. which may hold ten Days and as some Alteration in the Militia Law will be propos'd agreeable to What We talkt of, I hope the Service You m'ent to do has been so successfully effected on the Orders You may leave, in a probable Way as to admit your Coming whilst the Ho. of Burgesses are Sitting.

Mrs Fx went with her Sister Amblen to Hampton after I show'd her yr Letter and We all please our Selves with the Expectation of seeing You at furthest Next Week and perhaps of having your Company on our Return

In a late Letter our Governor rec'd from Genl. Shirley A Proposal is made for our Sending Comissioners to meet others From the neighbouring Colony at N. York to consider of and agree on a Proportion of Expenses for the present Service and what may be thought necessary for the collecting our Forces early in the Spring to begin the Operations. If the Ho of B. consent, Comissioners will be Soon Sent and I coud Wish You one of Them —

For pticulars I must also Refer to Colo. Stephen.

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Wishing You an Encrease of Honor in extirpating the bloodthirsty Savages, A Safe and quick Return to Us I remain

Dear Sir

Yr affectt. Friend &c P. S. W. FAIRFAX

Since Writing the foregoing have been told that You have detected some daring Persons that have disgst & painted themselves like Indians and frightened many the Govn. thinks fit to be sent hither to receive due Punishment —